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Training – Tomorrow!

It's not too late to join us for tomorrow's interactive webinar, "Lessons Learned from Hurricane Sandy." Follow along with the <u>viewing guide</u> and help us identify the vulnerabilities of our vote by mail environment.

To join, click: https://join.me/236-723-084. To listen via internet, click the phone button and select, "Call via internet." To listen via phone, call (213) 226-1066 and enter access code 236-723-084#. Session begins at 2:00 p.m. – log in early!!

Administrator Certification

If you've *already* submitted your <u>renewal application</u> for 2014, you'll receive your Election Administrator Card and Letter from Secretary Wyman in February (after the January 31 deadline).

Otherwise, you won't find paper applications on our website anymore! Start your renewal application today using our new <u>online tool</u>. Please remember that newbies may not start an application until completing all <u>initial certification</u> requirements.

- To renew, you need 18 training hours total 6 hours provided by an <u>approved sponsor</u>, and 12 hours of any training related to your job position.
- Please track your own "surplus" hours; you can save up to 6 hours maximum for your
 2015 application.
- Couldn't attend every session at the conference? Manually enter session hours using the link, "Add training event/hours not listed."
- See the <u>renewal requirements</u>.

Schools Will Register Students to Vote on Good Citizenship Day – Are You In?

The 2013 Legislature added the expectation that on Good Citizenship Day (January 16), all public schools must provide voter registration opportunities to their eligible students. Many schools recognize Good Citizenship Day by discussing Martin Luther King Jr. What great timing to talk about the 50th anniversary of the federal <u>Voting Rights Act</u> (1965), and help 18-year-olds register to vote! Contact your local high schools to arrange a visit, and feel free to use our <u>lesson plans</u>. Printed teacher copies are also available; e-mail <u>lwillVote@sos.wa.gov</u>, or call Lindsay Pryor at (360) 902-4143.

USPS Update from the Washington Post

U.S. Postal Service:

You like your mail on Saturdays? You'll keep your mail on Saturdays. The bill requires the mail service to continue six-day deliveries, despite a years-long attempt to cut back on service to save money.

... and just for some fun, check out the holiday merriment in Yakima.

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